

CHAPTER 22

**Guided Reading Strategies 22.1
West and Central Africa**

READING THE SECTION As you read the section, complete the following outline by supplying the main idea and the missing subtopics and supporting details.

Natural Environments

Main Idea: _____

Topic I: The physical environment of the region includes plains, low hills, and large rivers.

Detail A: Plains and low hills make up most of the landscapes of the region.

Detail B: _____

Detail C: _____

Detail D: A low coastal plain runs along the Atlantic shoreline of West and Central Africa.

Topic II: _____

Detail A: Most areas within the region are warm throughout the year.

Detail B: Climate regions form bands that run east to west across the region.

Detail C: _____

Detail D: _____

Topic III: The region has a wide variety of natural resources.

Detail A: Tropical timber, good soils, and many minerals are found in the region.

Detail B: _____

Detail C: _____

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, describe how the people of the Sahel live.

